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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q86432

Noriyuki KIZAKI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/528,000

Group Art Unit: 1652

Confirmation No.: 7567

Examiner: Mohammad Y. MEAH

Filed: March 21, 2005

Allowed: July 19, 2006

For: NOVEL CARBONYL REDUCTASE, GENE THEREOF AND METHOD OF USING
THE SAME

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the telephonic interview conducted on July 7, 2006 between Examiner Meah and Applicants' representative, Mark L. Hayman:

REMARKS

An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) was attached with the Notice of Allowance dated July 19, 2006.

During the interview, Examiner Meah inquired about a deposit of *Devosia riboflavina* IFO 13584. Applicants' representative suggested that the microorganism might be publicly available. Examiner Meah indicated that he would look into the matter.

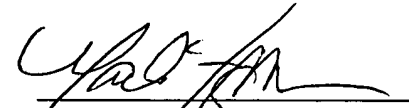
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It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,



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